

**TOWN BOARD MEETING January 18, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**TOWN HALL, 2354 COUNTY ROAD N**

**PRESENT:** Chair Mary Haley, Supervisor David Pfeiffer, Supervisor Jay Damkoehler, Supervisor Janiece Bolender, and Clerk/Treasurer Pili Hougan.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Audra Dalsoren, David Olson, Vivian Green, Robb Washichek, Dan Nieson, Michele Parker, Natalie Cotter, Allison Volk

**CALL TO ORDER-The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.**

1. **Presentation regarding the Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA) Program.** Natalie Cotter and Allison Volk from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) were in attendance to present a program from the Dane County Farmland Preservation Program. They gave an overview of the Agricultural Enterprise Program (AEA). AEA's are formed by a local petition of 5 or more landowners who are all in agreement, the municipality adopts a resolution, and must meet the criteria. This program would allow for eligible participants to receive a tax credit of \$5.00 or \$10.00 per acre. Preservation agreements are for 15 years. An AEA is a tool that can help communities meet local goals for preserving agricultural land and encouraging economic development. The 2017 AEA Petition materials are due June 10, 2017. Interested residents may contact [DATCPWorkingLands@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DATCPWorkingLands@wisconsin.gov). or call (608)224-4634 for further assistance.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pili Hougan  
Clerk/Treasurer